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**“GLOBAL WAQF GATEWAY: BRIDGING THE WAQF AGENDA FOR
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WHY GLOBAL WAQF GATEWAY?

The emerging social, economic and political challenges of the Muslim world and Muslim communities in general offers new frontiers and opportunities to address the unfinished and emerging needs of the Ummah in general and a regional network of social economic development cooperation, in particular.

Drawing upon the major development visionary initiative of Vision 1440H initiated by the Islamic Development Bank (IDB), Jeddah in 2006, IDB prompted to response and provide a clear sense of direction for the Ummah while complementing assisting work initiative, to charge the future course and responsibilities and to take into account external challenges that could impact its mission and operations (IDB 1440H Vision Document, page 3)

The challenges confronting the 1.6B Ummah are as diverse as the Ummah itself. The Ummah is girded, by a powerful religious identity but it is otherwise vast in plurality of ethnicity, language, culture, economic profile and political system. All muslim countries are developing countries but they are widely ranging in terms of level of human development. There is much peace in the Muslim world but there is also war, violence and strife. There is significant wealth and affluence, but there is also great poverty, sickness and deprivation (IDB 1440H Vision Document, page 6)

The challenges facing Muslim countries and Muslim minorities residing in other countries often defer widely in terms of nature and gravity. Taken collectively the Muslim world are faced with some major strategic challenges:

1. The challenge of achieving healthy human development;
2. The challenge of securing strong and sustainable economic growth;
3. The challenge of promoting good governance;
4. The challenge of strengthening peace and stability;
5. The challenge of fostering a powerful sense of common identity, consciousness and empathy as members of the Ummah;
6. The challenge of restoring the image of the Muslim world; and
7. The challenge of the Digital Age upon the Ummah

Significantly, these social and economic challenges are compounded by emerging scientific and technological innovation and growth that offers new and different alternative approaches to address the above strategic challenges.

Waqf as a major social economic institution in the civilization history of the Muslim world has demonstrated its impact and efficacy as the social spiritual economic platform to meet the higher objectives and intents of Islamic law that has been defined the well- being of the people which is the aim of religion and objective of the Shariah will prevail when their Faith, their Life, their Intellect, their Posterity and their Property as safe guarded and when there is complete justice, mercy and wisdom pervading all areas of their public life. (IDB 1440H Vision Document, page 6)

Given the Islamic banking prolific growth in more than 60 countries and continents, there is a corollary opportunity for the rise of waqf being acknowledged has the next generation social economic innovation that must be pursued to fulfill the higher order needs of Islamic law and address the above seven challenges identified for the contemporary and future positioning of the Muslim economic market and system.

Given the rise of new super structure of addressing innovation and creativity into the governance of nation organization or institution, a Global Waqf Development Gateway is proposed for extending the frontiers of new Waqf development and initiatives that are assisted by new thoughts and ideas in the transformation and management of the national pursuit of a sustainable socio-economic path of each Muslim nation and community across the globe.

The new frontiers of waqf in the contemporary space and time are the following:

1. Waqf synergy

Waqf synergy is defined as the integration of complementary intervention between Waqf solutions to address the challenges of the Muslim economic, social and scientific-technological challenges.

2. Waqf interface

Waqf interface is defined as the consolidation of current spiritual economic institution and good injunction to achieve the higher objectives of faith and virtuous conduct in the daily life of the Muslim for both, this world and the Hereafter. An example is zakat interfacing with the institution of Waqf to address immediate but essential basic needs of the poor in new cities (i.e proposal of the poor share of zakat provision in being utilized to serve perennial economic needs of accommodation in the city.)

3. Waqf Co-creation

Waqf co-creation is joining collaboration and cooperation between all relevant stakeholders at institutional sectorial, governance and global lower level to address the design, structure, process and outcome of Waqf initiative across the world and target community to build a clouding platform of Waqf through how technology can change the face of Waqf transformation itself.

4. Waqf innovation

Waqf innovation is defined as identification of new strategies, programs, processes and systems of enhancing Waqf as the new mainstream alternative at the global, regional, national and community level in changing the destiny of its constituent driven by sense of strategic visioning, continuous learning, intellect and business acumen of individuals and society at large to achieve the following macro value driven system. Good examples are the issuance of Sukuk Musyarakah to develop the Bencoolen waqf property in Singapore and the issuance of Sukuk Al-Intifa'a for the development of Zamzam Tower, Makkah.

It is envisaged that a global Waqf gateway would achieve the following value driven economic pursuit to foster a New Economy alternative and enhance Muslim unity and partnership with fellow citizen and stakeholders.

1. Moral excellence
2. All class of people are prosperous
3. All class of people knowledgeable and wise
4. Trusteeship of society and environment

The overall objective of developing a Global Waqf Development Gateway is to drive the transformation of the economic and social integration in OIC countries together with the global economy towards a new era of prosperity, happiness and governance of justice, fairness in wealth generation asset management and distribution in the society

CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite submission of abstracts and full papers on the following sub-themes:

- waqf, endowment, trust and foundations
- waqf, philanthropy and the 3rd sector economy
- waqf management and development
- waqf and Islamic finance
- waqf bank
- waqf and zakat
- wakaf income disbursement
- expansion of waqf
- waqf and the Islamic Capital market
- waqf and humanitarian relief
- national waqf strategies
- international waqf strategies
- waqf in Muslim minority countries
- cash waqf, waqf cash
- waqf and governance
- corporate waqf
- waqf to achieve the Millenium Development Goals
- waqf and politics and siyasah shar'iyah
- waqf and the economy
- waqf and property development and investment
- waqf and health
- waqf and education
- waqf and society
- waqf and Islamic wealth management
- waqf jurisprudence
- democratisation of waqf
- waqf and enforcement
- waqf and land development issues
- waqf and natural resources
- waqf and conservation
- waqf and contemporary applications such as fintech innovations
- waqf and the halal industry
- waqf dispute resolution
- waqf and climate change

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Deadline: 30th May 2017

Abstract Acceptance Notification: July 30th 2017

Full Paper Deadline: 30th September 2017

Acceptance Notification: 1st October 2017

Camera Ready Paper Deadline: 9th October 2017

ABSTRACT AND PAPER SUBMISSION

All abstracts and full papers will be peer-reviewed and evaluated by a committee consisting of scholars and experts in the sub-themes above. The abstract and paper will be reviewed based on originality, technical and/ or research content, depth, correctness, language presentation and relevance to the conference.

Prospective paper presenters are kindly invited to submit abstracts and full text papers in MS-Word format. All papers submitted to this conference will be considered for publication in a book to be published by the organisers entitled: “Global Waqf Gateway: Issues and Perspectives” targeted for launching in the 6th Global Waqf Conference to be held in 2018.

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